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## SANDIA AWARDS CONTRACT TO LOCAL WOMAN-OWNED BUSINESS FOR WATER TREATMENT CHEMICALS AND SERVICES

**Albuquerque, N. M.** –Industrial Water Engineering, Inc, a local small womanowned business, has been awarded a contract to provide Sandia National Laboratories with steam plant and cooling tower water treatment chemicals and service.

Sandia Contracting Representative Christine Whitley said, "The contract was awarded based on Sandia's Best-Value Source Selection Process. Industrial Water Engineering offered the most advantageous proposal from a technical and price relationship."

Industrial Water Engineering will chemically treat Sandia's steam plant and cooling towers to prevent corrosion, scale, and microbiological growths. An expert in water conservation, Industrial Water Engineering will aid Sandia in water conservation efforts as well.

Industrial Water Engineering Operations Manager Gary Wilkinson said this is their first contract with Sandia. Industrial Water Engineering has been in business for 21 years and has a staff of 8 people working out of the Albuquerque offices, warehouse, and manufacturing facility.

Sandia's Whitley said, "The response to the solicitation demonstrated the supplier community's continual interest in supporting Sandia's programs."

Sandia is a multiprogram Department of Energy laboratory, operated by a subsidiary of Lockheed Martin Corp. With main facilities in Albuquerque, N.M., and Livermore, Calif., Sandia has major research and development responsibilities in national security, energy and environmental technologies, and economic competitiveness.

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